Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—Are the Government aware that no such distinction is maintained in British India?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—We are not aware.

Appointment of Head clerks of Registry Offices as District Registrars.

190. **Mr. K. S. Manickam.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the names of the Head clerks and clerks in the Registration Department who possess the minimum qualifications for a Registrar's post as laid down in Appendix I of the Standing Orders with their total service as Head clerks or clerks as the case may be;

(b) of these how many have acted as District Registrars and how many have been put in full charge of the office in addition to their own duties as Head clerks during the last 6 years with the duration in each case;

(c) why were the claims of the above persons overlooked in filling up the vacancies of District Registrars who retired in 1110 and 1111 when they were not found incompetent to hold the dual posts of Head clerks and District Registrars simultaneously (please see answer to Question No. 234 dated 7th August 1935);

(d) were not the District Registrars that were appointed in 1110 and 1111 acting hands in the Registration Department;

(e) why were acting hands preferred to permanent hands for the posts of District Registrars while the policy of the Government was to prefer permanent hands (please see answer to Question 228 (15) of Budget Session of 1110 dated 6th August 1935);

(f) why were the claims of Messrs. A. Karunakara Menon and P. Gopala Menon, who have acted as District Registrars before, overlooked in filling up the vacancies of District Registrars appointed in 1110 and 1111?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—(a) A statement containing the required information is appended (*Appendix I.*)

(b) Please see statement appended (*Appendix II.*).

(c) In permanent vacancies of District Registrars, only graduates are appointed.

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(d) Two hands were appointed as District Registrars in 1110 and 1111. Of these, one is a permanent hand and the other an acting hand.

(e) As none among the permanent clerks in the department were graduates, an acting graduate clerk had to be given preference.

(f) Please see answer to sub-division (c) above.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—With respect to answer (c) is there any rule that graduates alone could be appointed as District Registrars?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—There is an order.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—When was that order passed?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—About 1097 or so.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—Then am I to understand that after 1097 no person who is not a Graduate was appointed as Registrar?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—After the order no non-graduate was permanently appointed.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—Is there any special reason for passing such an order?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—Being a responsible officer of the Government the Government thought that only duly qualified hands should be appointed.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Has the Standing Order been amended?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—No.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is the order in force now?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—Yes.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—How can it be in force?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—As for instance for the post of an Excise Inspector the Standing Orders do not mention the qualification. But there is an order that men with such and such qualification alone should be appointed. There may be special circumstances under which special qualifications are required.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Whose order is it?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—Government order.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—The Standing Orders?

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Mr. M. P. Cherian.—Government.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is there any difference between the order of the Government and the Standing Order?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—No difference.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is it an amendment to the Standing Orders?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—More or less an amendment.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Why more or less?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—We have not amended the General Standing Orders.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Can you amend the Standing Orders in this manner? If you want to introduce an amendment in the Standing Orders you will have to amend it by other processes with His Highness' sanction.

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—This order was also passed with the sanction of His Highness.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—If you have not amended the Standing Orders this order is not in force.

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar.—It is only a quarrel about words. Whenever the term Government is used it means His Highness also. Suppose there is a Standing Order and another order is passed by Government in supersession of the Standing Order without at the same time effecting the necessary amendment in the Standing Orders. The only order that will be in operation is the latter order. Amendments of Standing Orders are carried out only at definite stages.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. അയ്യപ്പൻ.—ഇങ്ങിനെ ഒരു ആർഡർ അയക്കുന്നതിൽഭേദം സ്റ്റാൻറിംഗ് ആർഡർ തന്നെ അമെൻറു ചെയ്യുകയല്ലേ നല്ലത്?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar.— No, Sir. This order stands on the same footing as a Standing Order.

Mr. President.—The Hon'ble Member's point is where an important amendment has been made the public must know it and the only manner in which it can be done is by an amendment of the Standing Orders. I think where an important provision of the Standing Orders is subsequently modified or amended by subsequent orders of the Government the best course is to incorporate that amendment in the Standing Orders.

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar.—Government agree to that.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether representations were not made to reserve a certain fixed per-

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centage of posts of Registrars to be given to experienced Head clerks in the Department?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Has that request been considered by the Government?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—It was not accepted.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What exactly was the difficulty that the Government felt in accepting that proposal?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—This new rule of Graduates.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—I believe the Government made that rule. My question is whether the representations made to the Government to reserve a certain fixed percentage of posts to be given to experienced Head clerks in the Department have been considered by the Government?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—The Government have thought that the posts of Registrars should be reserved for graduates.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is the Government aware that in British India as well as in the sister State of Travancore a fixed percentage, viz., 25 per cent, of the posts is reserved for undergraduate clerks of experience and approved efficiency in the Registration Department?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—The Government are not aware.

191. Mr. K. S. Manickam.—With reference to paras 2 and 3 of the Government Order No. L 3-3614 of 1110 dated 19th December 1934 (Law and Justice Department), will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the work in the Registry Offices and the income of the department have considerably increased since;

(b) whether the Government propose to create 2 probationary or relieving Registrars' posts;

(c) whether the want of such probationary or relieving Registrars' posts has ever been felt so far;

(d) whether it is not now the custom to appoint Head clerks of Registry Offices during short terms of the Registrars' leave periods;

(e) whether this practice has at any time led to any complaints from the Head of the Department or public;

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(f) whether the Government will be pleased to fill the posts by appointing Head clerks of the Department of approved service and merit?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—(a) In most of the Registry Offices there is no increase in work. There is also no increase in the income of the department.

(b) and (c) No.

(d) Yes.

(e) No.

(f) The existing practice will continue.

Revision of pay of clerks of Registration Department.

192. **Mr. K. S. Manickam.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how many petitions were submitted by the clerks and Head clerks of Registry Offices since the revision of 1105;

(b) what were the recommendations of the Superintendent of Registration on these petitions;

(c) has he not recommended a uniform grade of Rs. 25—40 to clerks and Rs. 40—60 to all the Head clerks;

(d) what were the final orders on these petitions;

(e) were not the pay of several officers raised since the revision of 1105 ;

(f) what were the special reasons for raising their pay while denying the same to the clerks of the Registration Department alone?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.— (a) The exact number cannot be ascertained.

(b) Certain petitions were simply forwarded by the Superintendent of Registration without any remarks. With regard to the others, the Superintendent recommended the request.

(c) Yes.

(d) It has been ordered that the request for increase of pay cannot be granted.

(e) The pay of some officers has been raised since the revision of 1105.

(f) In the interests of service, the pay of some posts had to be revised.

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APPENDIX I.

Serial No.	Name	Service Y.	M.	D.	Remarks
1	C. K. Subramania Ayyar, Head clerk, Chelakkara	23	8	5	Service as Head clerk
2	K. M. Ramaswami Ayyar, Head clerk, Kallattumkara	5	5	29	do
3	N. S. Sundara Ayyar, clerk, Irinjalakkuda	15	0	0	Service as clerk 25—30
4	V. P. Eippe, Head clerk, Kunnamkulam	24	10	8	do as Head clerk
5	E. Krishnan Nayar, Head clerk, Nemmara	15	6	29	do
6	K. V. Mathew, Head clerk, Chalakkudi	21	8	0	do
7	T. S. Krishna Ayyar do Nellayi	22	1	16	do
8	A. Venkiteswara Ayyar, Head clerk, Cochin	24	11	0	do
9	K. Venkiteswara Shenoi, Head clerk, Mala	22	7	0	do
10	P. Krishna Menon, Head clerk, Cranganur	16	11	20	Service as clerk 25—40
11	P. Gopala Menon, Head clerk, Ernakulam	24	11	18	Service as Head clerk
12	T. N. Viswanatha Ayyar, Head clerk, Palayannur	9	11	22	do
13	C. C. Lonappan, Head clerk, Palanji	22	0	0	do
14	M. Govinda Kurup, do Mundur	19	2	10	do
15	K. Achyuta Marar, do Trichur	22	2	10	do
16	C. K. Godavarma Thampan, Head clerk, Urakam	15	6	2	do
17	K. S. Vaidyanatha Ayyar, Officiating Head clerk, Trippunittura	16	4	23	Total service as clerk, 25—30, service as offg. Head clerk by 10 months
18	K G. Narayana Prabhu, Head clerk, Kulipalli	17	8	2	Service as Head clerk
19	A. Karunakara Menon, clerk, 40—60, Head Office	29	2	24	Total service
20	P. G. Vasudeva Shenoi, 40—60, Head Office	23	10	12	do
21	A. Subramania Ayyar, clerk, 25—40, Head Office	20	6	4	do

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APPENDIX I.—*(cont.)*

Serial No.	Name	Service Y.	M.	D.	Remarks
22	O. Rama Poduval, 25—40 Head Office	20	5	10	Total service
23	A. Rama Menon, clerk, 25—30, Head Office	17	10	5	do
24	N. N. Krishna Ayyar do Head Office	16	6	28	do
25	K. A. Inasu, clerk, do Kallattumkara	16	5	18	do
26	K. Balakrishna Menon, clerk, 25—30, Head Office	15	6	2	do

APPENDIX II

Serial No.	Name	Commencement of service			End of service			Remarks
1	A. Karunakara Menon, clerk, 40—60, Registration Superintendent's Office	9	12	1102	13	12	1102	Periods of service as acting District Registrar
		4	10	1103	31	10	1103	
		24	12	1103	15	5	1104	
		1	8	1104	31	9	1104	
		1	10	1104	13	10	1104	
2	P. Gopala Menon, Head clerk, 40—60, Ernakulam Registry Office	3	9	1104	2	10	1104	do
		3	10	1104	28	10	1104	
3	C. K. Subramania Ayyar, Head clerk, 40—60, Chelakkara Registry Office	7	12	1107	6	1	1108	
		1	12	1110	15	12	1110	
4	K. M. Ramaswami Ayyar, Head clerk, 25—40, Kallettumkara Registry Office.	1	11	1107	1	12	1107	
5	V. P. Iype, Head clerk, 40—60, Kunnamkulam Registry Office	15	8	1110	15	10	1110	
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APPENDIX II. — (*cont.*)

Serial No.	Name	Commencement of service			End of service			Remarks
6	E. Krishnan Nayar, Head clerk 25—40, Nemmara Registry Office	30	9	1110	30	10	1110	Numbers 3 to 16 were put in full charge of the Office in addition to their own duties as the Head clerk. Period of charge held by them is shown separately against each.
7	K V. Mathew, Head clerk 40—60, Chalakkudi Registry Office	20	10	1106	5	11	1106	
8	T. S. Krishna Ayyar, Head clerk, Nellayi	19	9	1109	4	10	1109	
		25	1	1110	5	2	1110	
		13	8	1110	2	9	1110	
9	A. Venkiteswara Ayyar, Head clerk, Cochin	10	12	1107	21	12	1107	
10	K. Venkiteswara Shenoi, Head clerk, Mala	27	10	1110	25	11	1110	
11	T. N. Viswanatha Ayyar, Head clerk, 25—40, Palayannur	22	6	1108	28	7	1108	
		10	9	1110	9	10	1110	
12	C. C. Lonappan, Head clerk, 25—40, Palanji	21	11	1107	31	11	1107	
13	M. Govinda Kurup do 25—40, Mundur	18	3	1108	24	4	1108	
14	K. Achyuta Marar do 40—60, Trichur	11	9	1107	11	10	1107	
15	K. S. Vaidhyanatha Ayyar, Offg. Head clerk, Trippunittura Registry Office.	1	8	1109	20	8	1109	
		12	12	1109	8	3	1110	
		11	2	1111	31	2	1111	
16	C. K. Godavarma Thampan, Head clerk, 25 — 40, Urakam Registry Office	8	3	1108	22	3	1108	
		12	7	1109	18	7	1109	
		9	12	1110	4	1	1111	

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